etc. Out of 2049 applications, 1854 applications, involving a total subsidy of Rs. 741.60 lakhs @ Rs. 40,000/- per house were found eligible. These have been granted administrative approval. As per the provision of the Revised Integrated Housing Scheme — 2007, if the Beedi workers are constructing their houses on individual basis, the funds will be released to the workers directly and not to the State Government.

Ongoing schemes and projects in Uttar Pradesh

965. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of ongoing schemes and projects of the Ministry in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the details of complaints and suggestions received in regard thereto;

(c) the action taken thereon and amount involved in each scheme/project; and

(d) whether the full allocated budgeted allocation was spent by the Ministry during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) The Plan Schemes of the Ministry of Labour and Employment like upgradation of Training Institutes, Skill Development Initiative, Strengthening of adjudication machinery and holding of Lok Adalats, National Child Labour Project etc., operating throughout India, cover Uttar Pradesh.

(b) According to information available, while there are no specific complaints received regarding operation of these schemes in Uttar Pradesh, a suggestion has been received from the Uttar Pradesh Scheduled Caste Finance and Development Corporation Limited that Skill Development Initiative (SDI) scheme be dovetailed with the scheme run by the Corporation to provide stipend, training fee, cost of books etc. to Scheduled Cast candidates.

(c) The Corporation has been advised to register as Vocational Training Provider (VTP) under the SDI scheme.

(d) The Plan expenditure of Ministry of Labour and Employment was Rs. 192.48 crore, Rs. 225.39 crore and Rs. 1280.22 crore as against RE outlay of Rs. 200.00 crore, Rs. 235.00 crore and Rs. 1250.00 crore in 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 respectively.

Unemployment allowance for retrenched workers

966. SHRI B.S. GNANADESIKAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of retrenched employees received 'unemployment allowance' provided by Employees State Insurance Corporation, State-wise for the last three years;

(b) whether Government proposed to increase unemployment allowance to 50 per cent of salary for one year to retrenched workers; and